

REV. JAMES MUIR

It is with sincere grief and disappointment that we record the death of Rev. James Muir of Pittsburg. He had been pastor there for over four years and was greatly beloved by all classes in the community irrespective of creed or church membership. The death occurred the day before his only daughter was to be married, but at his request the ceremony was postponed as scheduled. The funeral services were held in the church Friday afternoon, June 26. Many lodges and business concerns gave testimony of their faith in the man as citizen and preacher. The services were conducted by Rev. William J. Minchin, Superintendent of the Northern California Congregational Conference, and the following friends paid tribute: Commander Couzens and Lieutenant Maite of the Salvation Army, Rev. J. O. Temple of San Rafael. Burial was made at Antioch.

A CORRECTION

We regret to report that we have unintentionally quoted a rate for board and lodging at Asilomar on the scale of a six-day Conference period, when, in fact the full Conference covers seven days. All who stay six full days can get the Conference rate, those staying more than six days will be asked to pay the additional rate prorated on grade of entertainment. We had in mind the six-day period of last year until the contract came to us to be signed.

WILLIAM J. MINCHIN,
Superintendent.

SAN FRANCISCO, FIRST RECEIVES GIFT FOR ORGAN.

One of the never failing attractions at First Congregational Church, San Francisco is the church organ. Dr. Gordon is to be congratulated on the organ and the organist. Uda Waldrop is so great a master of the instrument, is so well known as the Municipal Organist of San Francisco, prepares his work so well for the services of the First Church that undoubtedly his work is appreciated by a large community of music lovers who reside in, and who visit, the city.

A little over a year ago the charm of the instrument was increased by the installation of an Echo Organ and a set of Chimes.

Now comes word, that Mr. I. H. Morse, for so many years a devoted member and deacon of the church has added to his former gifts, the gift of a new console to cost about Five Thousand Dollars. The contract for the work has already been let to The Austin Organ Company and work will begin on it immediately.

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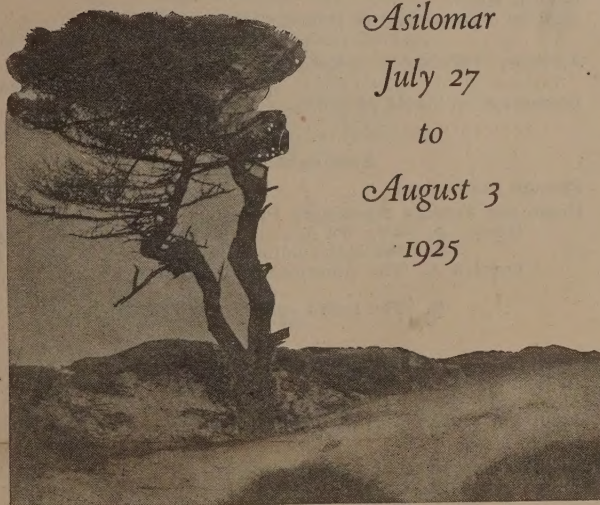
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First Annual Meeting of the Northern California Young Peoples Conference

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

MONDAY, JULY 27

Afternoon Session

- 2:30 Organization.
- 2:45 Roll Call of Churches (Each Church limited to 90 seconds).

Evening Session

- 7:00 Greetings from Southern California
- 8:00 Conference Sermon.....Rev. Robert E. Brown

TUESDAY, JULY 28

Morning Session

- 9:00 Devotions.....Rev. W. D. Ogg
- 9:40 Church Music (Joint Session) Conducted daily by Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon.
- 10:40 California Woman's Missionary Society.
- 11:40 a. State Federation.....Rev. F. M. Larkin
- b. Anti-Saloon League.....Rev. A. H. Briggs
- c. Prevention of War.....Rev. L. L. Wirt

RHEBA CRAWFORD

At First, San Francisco

To fill a large church like First, San Francisco, every night for two weeks in the month of July when people are complaining of the sweltering heat is no easy task. Yet that is what Rheba Crawford, "The Angel of Broadway" did. Every night found her ready to face an interested audience and to deliver a worth-while message.

Miss Crawford used none of the stock methods of the professional evangelist, yet at every service her appeal was clearly definite. Dr. Gordon states that the engagement of Miss Crawford was a real experiment in summer work at First Church which proved itself abundantly successful, both in the number of the people attending, and in the great amount of good done.

"If I can only discover them 'safe and sane enough' we shall conduct such an evangelistic effort every summer. We are indebted to Rheba Crawford for one of the finest pieces of work ever done in the churches of this city."

The free-will offering, taken up to express the congregation's appreciation of the evangelist's work and message amounted to \$921.99.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY ASSOCIATION

A postponed meeting of the Sacramento Valley Association was held in Grass Valley June 9 and 10. Rev. E. O. Chapel, pastor of the entertaining church, was in charge of program arrangements. Rev. Harley H. Gill of Sacramento was moderator. The theme of the conference was the "future of our work, based on the experience of the past." Papers and addresses were given by Rev. Grant L. Shaeffer of Auburn, Rev. R. C. Day of Loomis, Rev. F. W. Hodgdon of Berkeley, and the moderator.

Mr. Irwin Addicott spoke on the Young Peoples' Assembly, and Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon led an intensely interesting discussion on church music. A fellowship dinner and luncheon was served by the ladies of the Grass Valley Church. A tour was directed by Mr. Chapel through Memorial Park and the grounds of the Empire mine.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Rev. E. O. Chapel, moderator; Mr. H. R. Whittlesey, of Paradise, assistant moderator; Rev. Harley H. Gill, of Sacramento, registrar and treasurer.

The place of the next meeting and the selection of the delegate to the National Council were left to the business committee.

Rev. D. C. Lockwood, who for the past year has occupied the pulpit at Park Church, Berkeley, has resigned from the pastorate. Mr. Lockwood has gone to Flagstaff, Arizona, to visit his sister and then he will go to Emporia, Kansas, his former home, where he will join his wife and son.

The man who rests on his oars will soon find himself drifting. It isn't so much the distance we have made, or the things we have achieved that matter, as where we are going and what we are doing now. Keep on rowing.—Elbert Hubbard.

PALO ALTO SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMORIZES GOLDEN ALPHABET

The verses which make up the Golden Alphabet were selected for memorizing Sunday by boys and girls of junior age in the Palo Alto Sunday School, under the leadership of Rev. Willard B. Thorp. In several instances it was a difficult question which of several texts to take to represent a letter. The basis of selection was: Which on the whole will it mean most to that boy or girl in later life to have stored away in memory?

They began about the first of January and taking a verse each Sunday they had the entire alphabet memorized by Children's Day, so that it could be repeated by the school. Mr. Thorp simply calling out the letter, and they giving the verse. The printed cards were not given out until after the service. During the period of memorizing the verses were only revealed to the children from Sunday to Sunday on the blackboard in the class room.

A Golden Alphabet

Arranged by William Brown Thorp,
Palo Alto

As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.

—Luke 6:31

Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good

—Romans 12:21

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

—Matthew 11:28

Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you.

—James 4:8

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above.

James 1:17

Fear not: ye are of more value than many sparrows.

Luke 12:7

God is a spirit, and they that worship Him must worship in spirit and truth—

John 4:24

He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love.

—I. John 4:8

It is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

—Matthew 18:14

Judge not, that ye be not judged.

—Matthew 7:1

Know ye not that ye are a temple of God, and that the spirit of God dwelleth in you?

—I. Corinthians 3:16

Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

—Matthew 28:20

Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

—Matthew 4:4

Now abideth faith, hope, love, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

—I. Corinthian 13:13

Other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

—I. Corinthians 3:11

Perfect love casteth out fear

I. John 4:18

Quit you like men, be strong.

—I. Corinthians 16:13

Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth.

—Ecclesiastes 12:1

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath set us free.

—Galatians 5:1 (A. V.)

This is the victory that hath overcome the world, even our faith.

—I. John 5:4

Upon this rock I will build my church.

—Matthew 16:18

Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me.

—Matthew 25:40

What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God

—Micah 6:8 (A. V.)

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me.

—Psalm 23:4

Evening Session

- 7:00 Address.....Mrs. J. S. Inui
8:00 Address, "The Fellowship of the Upper Room".....
.....Dean Wilmer J. Gresham

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

Morning Session

- 9:00 Devotions.....Rev. W. D. Ogg
9:40 Church Music.
10:40 Address, "Authority in Religion".....Rev. Godfrey Matthews
11:10 Address, "Freedom in Religion".....Rev. Burton M. Palmer
11:40 Address, "The Amphioxus".....Rev. C. L. Kloss

Evening Session

- 7:00 Foreign Study Book, "Looking Ahead with Latin America".....
.....Rev. Geo. W. Hinman
8:00 Address, "Our Program for Religious Education in the Northern California Conference".....Rev. John C. Prince
8:30 Address, "New States in the Baltic".....Miss Hilda Howard

THURSDAY, JULY 30

Morning Session

- 9:00 Devotions.....Rev. H. H. Gill
9:40 Church Music.
10:40 Address, "Fellowship in Religion" (Ideal Aspects).....
.....Rev. Willard B. Thorp
11:10 Address, "Fellowship in Religion" (Practical Aspects).....
.....Rev. J. Vincent Jones
11:40 Discussion on series of addresses on Religion.....
.....Led by Rev. H. F. Swartz

Evening Session

- 7:00 Foreign Study Book.....Rev. Geo. W. Hinman
8:00 Home and Foreign Missionary Program:
Home: A. "Why We Are at Big Creek".....Rev. L. A. Stark
B. "The Metropolitan Problem".....Rev. W. J. Minchin
Foreign A. "The American Board in Rhodesia".....
.....Mr. Emory D. Alvord
B. "The Board and the Task," Rev. Jerome C. Holmes

FRIDAY, JULY 31

Morning Session

- 9:00 Devotions.....Rev. H. H. Gill
9:40 Church Music.
10:40 Business Session of the Conference.
1. Call to Order.
2. Report of Superintendent.
3. Report of Registrar.
4. Report of Treasurer.
5. Report of Auditor.
6. Report of Board of Trustees.
7. Report of Commission on Missions Representative.
8. Report of Committee on Proportionate Benevolences.
9. Report of Committee on Religious Education.
10. Report of Committee on Evangelism.
11. Report of Committee on Anti-Saloon League.
12. Report of Visitors to the Pacific School of Religion

Evening Session

- 7:00 Foreign Study Book.....Rev. George W. Hinman
8:00 Address, "A Rendezvous With Death".....Rev. O. W. S. McCall

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

Morning Session

- 9:00 Devotions.....Rev. Harry S. McCready
9:40 Church Music.
10:40 Business Session of the Conference:
13. Report of Committee on University of California.
14. Report of Committee on State Federation.
15. Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers.
16. Report of Resolutions Committee.
17. Other Business.

Evening Session

- 7:00 Foreign Study Book.....Rev. George W. Hinman
8:00 Dramatic Program (Under direction of Mr. Paul Pfeiffer).
8:45 Musical Program (Under direction of Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon).

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

Morning Session

- 9:45 Sunday School.
11:00 Morning Worship—Sermon by Rev. H. F. Swartz.

Afternoon Session

- 4:50 Vesper Communion Service...Conducted by Rev. Charles F. Clarke

NINETEENTH ASSEMBLY OF MOUNT HERMON FEDERATE SCHOOLS OF MISSIONS.

Congregationalists may well be proud of such a representative on the faculty of our Federate School of Missions this summer (July 4-11) as Mrs. Jeannette Wallace Emrich, that very lovely and interesting missionary who has come to make her home in Berkeley. At Mount Hermon this year Mrs. Emrich lectured on the book "Prayer and Missions" by Helen Barrett Montgomery, and called to our attention beautiful collections of prayers and interested us in God's answer to her when she was in sorrow in her missionary life. Mrs. Emrich also taught the young women at Mount Hermon in their Veranda class, where she spoke daily to those young girls on "Adventures in Service." Who knows what young lives may be drawn to great adventures for our Lord through Mrs. Emrich's remembered words?

We were greatly favored this year at Mount Hermon Federate School of Missions by having with us two members of the Council of Women for Home Missions, viz: Mrs. John Ferguson, president of that Council and the first woman to be elected an officer of the Federal Council;—and Mrs. Philip M. Rossman, chairman of the Committee on Summer Schools and Conferences of Missions for the Council of Women for Home Missions. Never before in the history of Mount Hermon Federate School of Missions have we been fortunate enough to have two members of the Council of Missions with us at once, and they addressed us again and again on different topics. Our daily Bible period was taken by that great Bible scholar and archeologist Dr. M. G. Kyle, president of Xenia Theological Seminary, St. Louis.

Our Vesper Hour with the Missionaries was a daily source of knowledge. One session was devoted to consideration of the lepers; at another beautiful young widow, Mrs. Colby the niece of Mrs. John Ferguson, told us her delightful experiences in China which ended in tragedy for the young woman, for she and her husband went to Tibet as missionaries, and in less than two years Mrs. Colby came out a widow with her little girl. Another Vesper period, the auditorium held a large company, to hear a tall, black enthusiastic Methodist missionary from Abyssinia, Prince Blaychetta.

We had a lecture on "The Re-birth of Latin America," by Dr. M. A. Rader, connected with the Spanish American Institute at Gardena, near Los Angeles. A beautifully illustrated lecture on "Youth Looks Out in the Orient" was given by Rev. Allan Hunter. Dr. Arthur Rider of Los Angeles, just back from a world tour spoke on "The Changeless Christ for a Changing World." Space fails to tell all the good things of this Nineteenth Annual Session. The chairman, Mr. Paul Raymond, is to be congratulated on the array of talent that her labors succeeded in obtaining for our Federate School this year.

MARY E. BAMFORD,
Press Sec. Mt. H. Fed. Sch.

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WHY WE ARE LATE

The Pacific needs and asks for an annual vacation. We needed to take a matter up with the Post Office authorities. They advised that as we were issuing nearer the first of August than the first of July that we call it an August number and we are printing under the government rulings that will publish every month except July. We were also late in getting some of the information that was needed for this issue and it is as well to call to the churches to get at the largest possible delegation to Asilomar. We need several hundred new subscribers immediately if we are to continue sending the paper. We need several hundred new subscribers to make the paper self-supporting.

PERSONALS

Mrs. A. P. Peck returned Wednesday, July 15th, from a trip to China. She found matters so much disturbed here that she did not travel much but had the pleasure of a visit with her son. On the return trip she had severe attack of bronchitis but is improving rapidly.

Reports from Rev. Arthur Bunce are most encouraging. It is a wonderful tribute to medical science that one can get recovery from tubercular pneumonia. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Bunce in the brave fight they have put up in this long illness.

Rev. H. H. Gill of Sacramento is spending part of his vacation at Cowle, near Lake Tahoe.

The Conference office has recently received some very good ministerial arguments for distribution. It only requires the party who can use them.

DEATH OF MISSIONARY

It is with a deep feeling of sorrow that friends learn of the death of Mrs. Emily M. Harkness who passed away on May 31 in Los Angeles. Before her marriage she went to Japan as a teacher in Kobe Girls School, arriving in Japan November 24, 1883. She was connected with the American Board until 1902, when she returned to America and married Rev. James Harkness. After his death she made

MARGARITA WRIGHT ON CONDITIONS IN MEXICO

To offset some of the glaring headlines in American newspapers concerning Mexico, Miss Margarita Wright, director of the girl's school at Guadaluajara, said: "Do you know something about what the Revolution is doing in Mexico? Frank Tannenbaum came back from Mexico feeling that the Mexicans have a real contribution to make today. He said 'There is a future in Mexico, a cultural future, that may well prove the greatest renaissance in the contemporary world. . . . We need to stand humbly before a people come to life.' There is a sort of back-to-the-Indian movement among the Mexicans—that is, back to their own heritage; many of the names are being changed from Spanish to the Indian."

The Atlantic Monthly last November had an article on The Failure of Democracy in Mexico, by Robert Glass Inland, from which Miss Wright quoted as follows:

"To some degree offsetting these conditions one gladly confesses that a new spirit is abroad in Mexico today which is profoundly affecting the great masses of the common people. It manifests itself in a great variety of ways, chiefly up to this time low social and economical lines. But no one can as yet define this spirit or say precisely what it is. It may be like the heaven that leaventh the whole camp. It may be the forerunner of that ordered liberty and genuine self government for which the distressed nation has waited these hundred years."

Evening Session

- 7:30 Address, "The Soul on Top".....Rev. Frank W. Hodgdon
8:30 Group Gatherings Around Fire Places.

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

- 8:30 Devotions.....Rev. Harry S. McCready
9:00 Closing.
10:30 Adjournment.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

Daily Schedule

- 6:45 Rising bell.
7:15 Setting-up exercises.
7:30 Breakfast.
8:15 Devotional period.
8:50 (A) The Christian Philosophy of Life—(College Age Group).
(B) What I May Believe—(High School Age Group).
9:40 Church music.
10:35 (1) The Work of Young People's Societies, Methods and Materials.
(2) Problems of Christian Conduct:
Sec. A. Girls—(College Age Group).
Sec. B. Boys—(College Age Group).
Sec. C. Girls—(High School Group).
Sec. D. Boys—(High School Group).
11:30 (1) The Modern Use of the Bible.
Sec. A—(College Age Group).
Sec. B—(High School Age Group).
(2) Latin America and Its Problems.
(3) Christianizing International Relations.
(4) The Drama in Religious Use.
12:20 Closing Hour.
1:30 Rest and Relaxation.
3:00 Directed Recreation.
6:00 Supper.
7:00 Vespers.
8:00 Addresses.
9:00 Closing and Fellowship Hour.
10:00 Lights Out—Oblivion.

Of the five morning classes, Young People's delegates will choose four, including the first two.

THE FACULTY

Mr. Irwin O. Addicott, Berkeley; Rev. Robert E. Brown, Oakland; Mrs. Robert E. Brown, Oakland; Mr. Carvel Caine, Berkeley; Mr. Alfred Frazier, Palo Alto; Rev. T. T. Giffen, Fresno; Mrs. Andrew Hansen, Palo Alto; Rev. F. W. Hodgdon, Berkeley; Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon, Berkeley; Mrs. F. W. Hubbard, Fresno; Rev. Allan A. Hunter, New York; Rev. Jerome C. Holmes, San Francisco; Miss Carol Hyde, Palo Alto; Dr. Josephine Kennedy, M. D., Keenings, China; Rev. Fred W. Morrison, San Jose; Dr. Lois Pendleton, M. D., Tehsien, China; Mr. Paul Pfeiffer, San Francisco; Rev. John C. Prince, San Francisco; Mr. Wm. D. Spencer, University of California; Rev. Carl J. Stackman, Denver, Colorado; Rev. L. A. Stark, Big Creek; Mr. Philip K. Swartz, Berkeley; Rev. Ralph C. Waddell, Oakland; Dr. E. R. Wagner, M. D., San Jose; Rev. Paul Waterhouse, Los Angeles; Mrs. Milliecent P. Yarrow, Tucson, Arizona; Miss Margarita Wright, Palo Alto.

GENERAL NOTES

Rev. John C. Prince will be the Dean of the Young People's Conference. The Moderator will be in charge of the General Conference.

The Y. W. C. A. management has sent out word that there will be a charge for transportation of baggage from the railroad station of ten cents per suit case and twenty-five cents per trunk.

Dr Hinman will conduct four hours in the following studies: "Latin-American Neighbors Near and Far," based on Browning's "New Days in Latin America," Stanley High's "Looking Ahead With Latin America," McCombs' "From Over the Border."

Registration: All those who are under 24 years of age and who enroll with Young People's Conference will pay \$1.00 registration fee. All others, \$3.00 for Conference or fifty cents per day.

Each Church is entitled to two delegates, with an additional delegate for each full one hundred members above two hundred provided no Church shall be entitled to more than five delegates.

In accordance with the custom of the Conference, railroad fares in excess of \$5.00 will be refunded to the pastors of churches.

Trains leave Third and Townsend Streets, San Francisco, at 8:00 a. m. and 2:00 p. m. daily. The trip to Asilomar takes a little over four hours.

Inasmuch as we are expecting families to attend the Conference we have asked Mrs. Ernest Fox of Stockton to take charge of a kindergarten during the morning sessions and she has kindly consented to lead the work.

We are fortunate in being able to secure Dr. H. Paul Douglass, who is connected with the Institute of Religious Research and is an expert on the survey of city churches. He will address the Conference Wednesday night or Thursday. Dr. Douglass was formerly secretary of the American Missionary Association.

We regard the course in Church Music that we are offering to the Conference as the best feature that we have furnished it in many years. Mrs. Hodgdon has had charge of large choruses and every church interested in music should send at least one delegate, who will carry back the inspiration of these wonderful hours.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONGRESSIONAL CONFERENCE

Benevolences Received

June 1st-30th, 1925

Adin	\$ 9.82
Berkeley, First	592.86
Berkeley, Park	67.23
Berkeley, North	129.75
Campbell	15.41
Ceres	50.00
Cloverdale	47.50
Crockett	12.50
Eureka	51.75
Fairfax	8.00
Fresno, First	130.20
Lodi, First	95.00
Oakland, First	1,053.00
Oakland, Fruitvale	25.00
Oakland, Plymouth	220.18
Oroville	16.13
Pacific Grove	35.75
Petaluma	101.20
San Francisco, Rich.	16.00
San Jose	102.65
San Leandro	32.36
San Lorenzo	33.00
San Mateo	50.00
Santa Rosa, First	16.81
Sunnyvale	5.00
Tulare	25.80
Woodside	12.50
Total	\$2,955.40

Distribution of Benevolences

C. W. M. S.	\$ 28.58
Conference	228.70
Annuity Fund	26.02
S. S. E. S.	
(C. H. Baker \$7.46)	74.68
C. M. R. S.	52.03
Pacific School of Rel.	78.05
C. E. S.	143.05
C. C. B. S.	156.09
A. M. A.	338.20
W. B. M. P.	
(Mrs. W. C. Blasdale)	338.20
A. B. C. F. M.	520.31
C. H. M. S.	897.58
Specially Designated	73.91
Total	\$2,955.40

BENEVOLENCES

Comparative Figures 1924-1925

	1924	1925
Jan. 10th-31st	\$ 425.75	\$ 682.00
Feb. 1st-28th	2,568.46	2,904.24
March 1st-31st	2,923.42	3,532.70
April 1st-30th	4,846.11	4,036.67
May 1st-31st	3,914.69	3,982.85
June 1st-30th	2,934.67	2,955.40
Total	\$17,613.10	\$18,093.86

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SACRAMENTO—The building fund of the Sacramento Church has continued to increase and now stands at approximately \$59,000 raised in cash and pledges. This is in addition to property owned, and balance from the sale of the old building. Definite plans are being made to undertake construction work this fall.

On Children's Day, the pastor, Rev. Harley H. Gill baptized eighteen babies and young children.

REDWOOD CITY—The city is having a phenomenal growth, a steady, healthy growth, and the church is keeping pace with it. At the last Communion service June 7, fourteen new members were received into the church.

BERKELEY, BETHANY—The Church and Sunday School held a joint picnic at Mosswood Park, Oakland, during the last week in June. The picnickers left the church at 10:30 for the park grounds under the direction of Mrs. Frederick Nickelmann and F. H. Harper. The ladies of the church prepared the lunch and later the older boys and girls played ball while the little folks held forth at the swings and slides. Later in the afternoon, Mrs. Ethel H. Dickson, who was in charge of the activities, brought the groups together, and the balance of the time was spent in races and games.

Just at the close of the day Mrs. Joseph Pearse told in song what a real picnic was like.

LODI—Children's Day exercises were held on June 14, the morning services being given over entirely to the children who gave their program unusually well. In the evening the Christian, Methodist and Congregational churches, united to hear Mrs. Emrich, field worker for the Near East Relief Society. She made a plea for Bundle Day, succeeding in making her audience see the people of the Near East as individuals instead of large numbers.

On Tuesday, June 16, the ladies of the church gave a lawn fete to raise money for their carpet fund. The lawn in front of the church and parsonage was gayly decorated and lined with booths from which the ladies sold fancy work, ice cream and home-made cakes. In the evening a supper was served which was largely attended. The fete was a great success, as indicated by the fact that \$109 was received over expenses.

STOCKTON—Plans for a new church building are coming more and more into the focus of the attention and effort of the membership. Sub-

CALIFORNIA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

SEPTEMBER 30th, 1924 AND JUNE 30th 1925.

	Assets	1925	1924	Inc.	or Dec.
Cash		\$441.79	\$727.65	—	\$285.86
Bonds		75,759.40	86,526.45	—	10,767.05
Accrued Interest		1,615.77	1,871.74	—	255.97
Mortgage Loans		27,129.17	29,294.22	—	2,165.05
Other Securities		20,380.10	7,553.02	+	12,827.08
Total Assets		\$125,326.23	\$125,973.08	—	\$646.85

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	83,136.85	86,608.29	—	3,471.44
Capital	42,189.38	39,364.79	+	2,824.59
NET WORTH				

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

SEPTEMBER 30th, 1924 AND JUNE 30th, 1925.

	Assets	1925	1924	Inc.	or Dec.
Cash (overdraft)		\$407.98	\$1,185.63	—	\$1,593.61
Bonds		26,207.50	11,577.50	+	14,630.00
Accounts Receivable		54,798.57	10,522.37	+	44,276.20
Accrued Interest		730.72	176.06	+	554.66
Total Assets		\$81,328.81	\$23,461.56	+	57,867.25

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	23,807.97	11,629.02	+	12,178.95
Notes Payable	18,000.00		+	18,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$41,807.97	\$11,629.02	+	30,178.95
Capital	\$39,520.84	\$11,832.54	+	27,688.30

Committees in Location, Finance and Building have been formed. Definite plans will be adopted by the end of the year.

Great interest centers around the conference at Asilomar, especially among the young people. There will be at least two delegates from the college group and three from the high school group.

During the months of July and August the church will unite with seven other churches in union evening services in Fremont Park.

BENICIA—Now that the Benicia congregation is worshipping in their newly renovated church they felt very anxious to also have new hymn books, but as all available money had been raised for repairs and running expenses this seemed at first to be an impossible desire. But Benicia people are not lacking in initiative. Someone suddenly remembered the crowd of autoists who are always, on holidays, waiting in Benicia for the ferries. These people are often held there until late at night; they become cold and hungry and are only too glad to be able to purchase refreshments. So, on the Fourth of July the Sunday School workers put in a busy day catering to the needs of the travelers—with the result that the necessary money was raised, and Benicia is rejoicing in new hymn books as well as a "new" church. This seems to be good Christianity as well as good financing.

The church is going to hold an Old Home day and opening celebration during the latter part of August.

ALTURAS—The church work has taken on new life since the arrival on the field of Rev. S. C. Carson; the people are very much encouraged and show determination to go forward.

A new fence has been built around the church property, and the lawn has been put in the best of shape. The fence is made of three-inch boiler tubes, painted black and the intervening posts painted white.

Recently the young people returned from college put on a fine program in the High School auditorium and cleared \$86 for the Auxiliary Society.

WOODSIDE—Recently the Woodside Church was glad to welcome on two successive Sundays a large group of Camp Fire Girls, whose camp is some two miles out of Woodside.

SAN FRANCISCO, MISSION PARK—On Sunday, July 26, the congregation of Mission Park Church, San Francisco, will follow the automobilists into the country to a spot not far distant from San Mateo, where in the open air, Sunday School will be conducted, and church service held.

The congregation of Mission Park Church is composed of people who work six full days a week. Sunday is the only day on which there is any opportunity for the visitation of friends or the enjoyment of the open air. The summer time is always a time for diminished congregations, so unitedly the several departments of the church are working together to make a great event of this open air service.

It is the first time in the history of the church that such an experiment has been tried. The people express themselves as whole heartedly in favor of it, and are working for its success.

A NEW DEFINITION

Sins of omission have been newly defined by a brilliant Church School child in Mt. Vernon, N. Y., as "the sins we might have committed but didn't."

A NEW FLOWER has bloomed out on the hills of Trinity County, in the mountains of California. Its name is—

"WHERE WESTERN BREEZES BLOW"

A volume of poetry by
WILLIAM WENDELL RILEY

The author wants to leave one or more in each home, but he must not give them away, for three reasons:—

He might give a book to some one who did not want it;
If he should give a book to each who has been good and kind to him, he would not have books enough to go around;

If he gave them away, he would soon be "busted."

Therefore he will have to sell them at \$1.50 a volume.

It is a beautiful little book and will remain a nice little souvenir during the passing years. It would make a most acceptable gift for your friends.

W. W. RILEY
Weaverville, California

BOOKS RECEIVED

"Dear Family"

(By Peggy Ann; 107 pages; 75 cents)
You'll all want to read it—missionaires, premissionaires and anti-missionaires. A series of letters written by an anti-missionary during her first year as teacher in a mission school of South America—gay, whimsical, self-revealing letters which hold one fascinated from the early signature, "your perplexed, but persevering Peggy Ann"; to the later one "your more tolerant and tolerable Peggy Ann." M. B.

"Europe Turns the Corner," by Stanley High, Abingdon Press. Price \$2.00; 304 pages.

"Outline Studies in Old Testament History," by Adele Tuttle McEntire, Abingdon Press. Price \$1.50; postage extra; 235 pages.

"The Coming Kingdom," by Harris Franklin Roll, Methodist Book Concern. Price 75 cents; postage extra; 119 pages.

"Midweek Messages" by Robert Elmer Smith, The Abingdon Press, 192 pages, price \$1.00.

"A Covenant-Keeping" by Francis Wesley Warne, The Methodist Book Concern 109 pages, price fifty cents.

"The Credibility of the Virgin Birth," by Oroville E. Crain; 105 page, price fifty cents.

"Plum Blossoms and Other Plays" by Elizabeth Edland, The Abingdon Press; 59 pages; price thirty-five cents.

"Hebrew Life and Times" — A Teachers Manual by Marron O. Hawthorn; The Abingdon Press, 109 pages; price \$1.10.

TEN COMMANDMENTS OF HEALTH

By Eva J. DeMarsh.

1. Thou shalt live much in the sunshine.
2. Thou shalt eat sparingly of wholesome, well-cooked food.
3. Thou shalt love the good, the true, the beautiful.
4. Thou shalt harbor ever-pleasant thoughts in thy heart.
5. Thou shalt keep body, mind and heart clean.
6. Thou shalt drink deep of pure, fresh air day and night.
7. Thou shalt love thy fellow-man.
8. Thou shalt dwell in an uncontaminated environment.
9. Thou shalt keep ever a prayer in thy soul and a song on thy lips.
10. Thou shalt dwell in serenity of soul, allowing neither small things to annoy thee, nor large ones to over-exalt thee.

From "THE WELLSPRING."